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Acknowledgement is made of appellant having filed a communication on November 12, 2001 entitled "Reply Brief on Appeal". It is noted that the "Reply Brief" was accompanied with journal articles that were considered as "evidence". According to MPEP 1208.03 and 37 CFR 1.193(b), applicant's response to the examiner's answer would not be entitled to entry since the "Reply Brief" that contained evidences was not considered as a reply brief. Therefore, the references and arguments relating to the references have not been considered. However, the examiner has considered the arguments not relying on the references, such arguments are noted and no further response by the examiner is deemed necessary. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

Papers related to this application may be submitted to Group 1600 by facsimile transmission. Papers should be faxed to Group 1600 via the PTO Fax Center located in Crystal Mall 1. The faxing of such papers must conform with the notices published in the Official Gazette, 1096 OG 30 (November 15, 1988), 1156 OG 61 (November 16, 1993), and 1157 OG 94 (December 28, 1993)(See 37 CAR § 1.6(d)). The CM Fax Center number is either (703) 308-4242 or (703)305-3014.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Frank Lu, Ph.D., whose telephone number is (703) 305-1270. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, W. Gary Jones, can be reached on (703) 308-1152.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Chemical Matrix receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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